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1. In the Soviet Army the Infantry, whether motorized or not, wears magenta shoulder boards with black piping. Mechanized infantry and tank units wear black shoulder boards with red piping.
2. The basic administrative and tactical unit in the Soviet Army is the regiment or the separate battalion. All components of a regiment or separate battalion, irrespective of the armed branch or service to which they belong individually, (inf, mecz inf, FA, AT, A.A, mortar, tank, sig, engr) wear the shoulder boards of the regiment to which they belong organically. At the same time they retain the insignia of their branch or service.
3. In short, all components of a motorized or regular rifle regiment wear magenta shoulder boards with black piping, and all components of a mechanized or tank regiment wear black shoulder boards with red piping.

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